

“Standardized Designs for Third Generation Ammonia-on-Demand (AOD™) at AEP’s Amos and Mountaineer Plants”

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Prototype Installation on 580 MW Mirant Canal Plant 2000 Ozone Season

- **First commercial operation of AOD technology installed on a utility SCR**
- **Performance tests for maximum and minimum production rate, ramp rate, load following and automatic operation passed with no difficulty**
- **Hydrolyzer performance confirmed design calculations for reaction kinetics**
- **Instrumentation and control issues successfully worked out**

First Large Scale AOD Installation at AEP's 2,600 MW Gavin Plant

- **Process design duplicated Canal due to short project schedule**
- **Large plant required separation of urea unloading, solution preparation locations**
- **Storage of urea solution used to isolate hydrolysis process from maintenance of urea solution and handling system**
- **3 - 50% hydrolysis trains used to insure high availability of the ammonia stream**



AEP's Gavin Station

Train B Hydrolyzer



AOD™ System Process Improvements Developed from Gavin Station Experience

Liquid Carryover

**Redesigned internal separators
Redesigned interstage baffles
Improved mist eliminator**

Improved Instrumentation

**Total I/O count reduced
Redesigned pressure transmitters
Improved level measurement**

Improved Urea Handling

**Truck and rail delivery of dry urea
Improved urea mixing
Higher capacity solution storage
Temperature control on recycle tank**

Redesigned Components

**Feed pumps replaced with new design
Process simplified**

Design Objectives for Third Generation AOD Systems in AEP Plants

- Reduce steps in dry urea handling and storage**
- Long term storage of reagent as solution**
- Minimize number of process skids**
- Increase process reliability**
- Simplify overall installation**
- Reduce capital and installation cost**

Design Changes Implemented at Mountaineer

- Elimination of rail delivery, dry urea storage**
- Dry urea to be delivered in open dump trucks**
- High speed, high capacity dissolving tanks**
- 2 - 100% process trains**
- Incorporation of hydrolyzer design improvements made at Gavin**

AOD Installation - Mountaineer Plant



AOD System Design at Mountaineer

Unloading system accommodates dump truck delivery of dry urea

- **More tolerant of lumps and agglomerates**
- **Rapid unloading**
- **Avoids dry storage**
- **Eliminates specialty pneumatic transfer vehicles**

High Speed, High Capacity Dissolving Tanks

- **High throughput of urea**
- **Proprietary mixing technology**
- **More precise control of urea solution concentration**
- **Minimizes time urea remains as a solid**

AOD Installation - Mountaineer Plant



AOD System Design at Mountaineer

Large urea solution and recycle storage tanks

- **Provides 5 days of solution at design ammonia capacity**
- **External heating of recycle tank**
- **Allows on-line maintenance of unloading, mixing systems**
- **Uniform concentration means smoother operation of hydrolyzer**

AOD Installation - Mountaineer Plant



AOD System Design at Mountaineer

2 x 100% capacity hydrolyzers

- **Simpler control system**
- **More rapid response**
- **Reduced capital and installation cost**

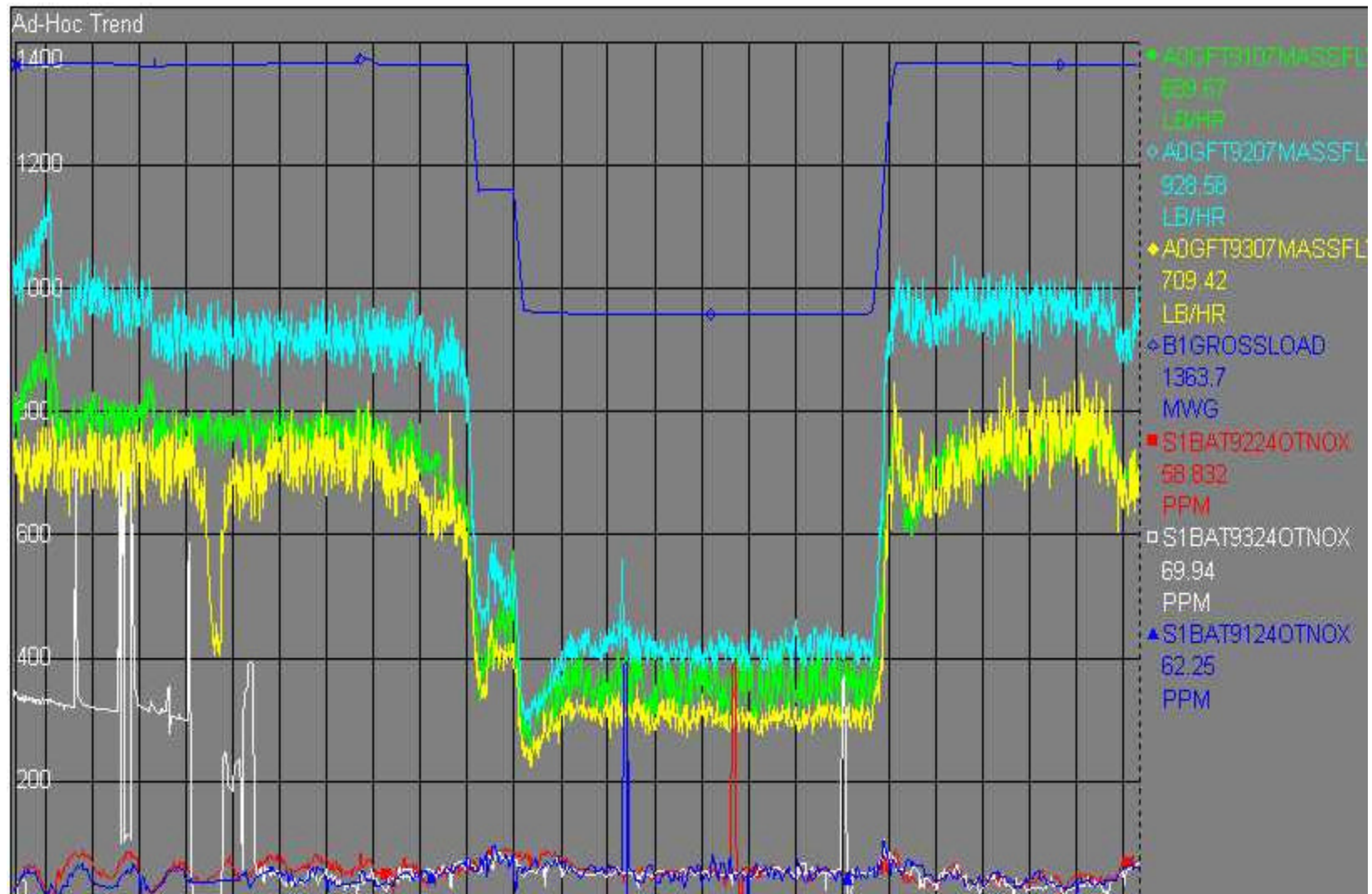
Hydrolyzer Design Improvements

- **Better internal gas/liquid separation**
- **Improved sparge steam design**
- **Redesigned pressure and level measurement instruments**

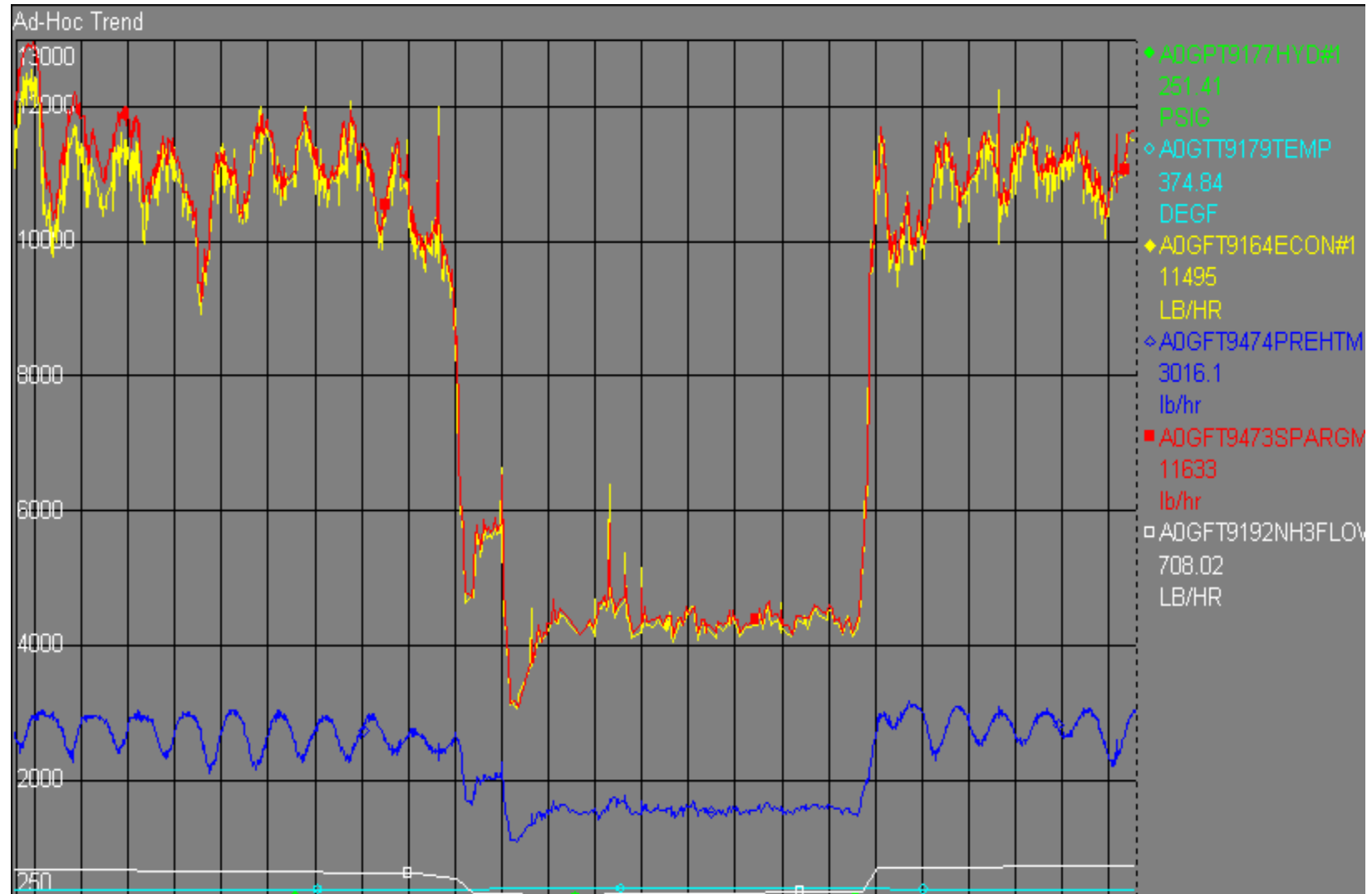
Preliminary Operating Results from Mountaineer Startup

- **Equipment delivered to site February, 2002**
- **Installation substantially complete April 9, 2002**
- **First ammonia production April 30, 2002**
- **Achieved NOx reduction target May 1, 2002**
- **Dry urea handling system started up May 7, 2002**
- **Currently in full operation with 90% NOx removal**

NOx Reductions During Variable Load



Hydrolyzer Operating Conditions



AOD System Standard Designs

4,000 lbs/hr ammonia

8 Units at Gavin, Amos and Cardinal

2,000 lbs/hr

**12 units at Mountaineer, Cardinal, Big Sandy,
Kyger Creek and Clifty Creek**

1,000 lbs/hr

600 lbs/hr

1 unit at Mirant Canal Station

250 lbs/hr

Conclusions

- **Design improvements resulting from operating experience at Canal and Gavin have been incorporated into standard designs applied to Amos and Mountaineer**
- **These improvements have resulted in reduced capital and installation costs for the AOD systems at AEP's Mountaineer and Amos plants**
- **The new approach to urea handling and storage resulted in a simpler system with expected reduced operating and maintenance costs**
- **Design improvements have already proven effective in simpler startup with fewer problems, smoother operation and fewer operating problems**